

# MEETING MINUTES

## DENDROBIUM COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT COMMITTEE

LOCATION:	Dendrobium Mine / Microsoft Teams
DATE:	13 February 2024 6.10 pm
ATTENDEES:	<p>Mike Archer, Independent Chairperson (MA)  Mira Speer, Illawarra Metallurgical Coal Representative (MS)  Franca Facci, Community Representative (FF)  Ben Speer, Community Representative (BS)  Emma Ivic, Community Representative (EI)</p>
APOLOGIES:	<p>Tony Morris, Community Representative (TM)  Craig Hicks, Community Representative (CH)  Alex Beccari, Community Representative (AB)  Chris O'Connor, Wollongong City Council Representative (CO)</p>
<b>1</b>	<b>AGENDA</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome and Apologies</li> <li>• Acknowledgement of Country</li>   <li>• Acceptance of last meeting minutes (November 2023)</li> <li>• Review actions from previous meeting minutes</li>   <li>• Accounts Report: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Financial Statement from Daley for the period ending 31 January 2023</li> </ul> </li>   <li>• New Applications: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Figtree AFL Club – Players Mental health program</li> <li>○ Figtree Public School – Artificial Soccer field</li> <li>○ Lake Illawarra Police – Crime Prevention Unit</li> <li>○ Life Education – School Program</li> <li>○ Raising the Bar Foundation – Year 9 Mental Health Program Figtree High</li> </ul> </li>   <li>• Future projects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Wollongong City Council</li> </ul> </li>   <li>• General Business: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Mike Archer</li> </ul> </li>   <li>• Next Meeting: <p>Tuesday, 7 May 2024</p> </li> </ul>
<b>2</b>	<b>WELCOME / APOLOGIES</b>
	<p>MA opened the meeting at 6.03pm and provided an Acknowledgement of Country.  Noted Apologies TM, CH, AB and CO</p>
<b>3</b>	<b>PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES</b>
	<p>Meeting minutes from the previous meeting held 14 November 2023 were accepted and moved by BS, seconded FF.</p>

4	<b>NEW APPLICATIONS</b>
	<p>1. <u>Figtree Australian Football Club (AFL)</u></p> <p>An application from Figtree Australian Football Club requesting \$15,000 to assist with player mental health program, registration assistance, and player equipment.</p> <p>The DCEC did endorse the program however requested some detailed statistics on the 2023 mental health program before the new grant is issued</p> <p><b>Action: MS to advise Figtree Australian Football Club that the program was endorsed but required an acquittal on the 2023 mental health program before new funding is released</b></p> <p>2. <u>Figtree Public School</u></p> <p>An application from Figtree Public School requesting \$178,785.75 for a synthetic Soccer field, the field would not only benefit the school community but also the wider community as The Illawarra has only one other synthetic field. The field would also provide a safe play area that is a level surface and easily accessible for mobility reasons.</p> <p>The DCEC did not endorse Figtree Public School's application for the \$178,785.75 funding to go towards the Synthetic Soccer field due to significant cost and the trust budget.</p> <p><b>Action: MS to advise Figtree Public School that the DCEC did not endorse their application for \$178,785.75 funding for a synthetic soccer field.</b></p> <p>3. <u>Lake Illawarra Police</u></p> <p>An application from the Lake Illawarra Police requesting \$53,400 for a Crime Prevention Unit (Van). The discussion was based around most of the area that Lake Illawarra Police patrol is outside the area of influence of the trust and couldn't see any significant impact on the community that falls within the trust area of influence.</p> <p>The DCEC did not endorse Lake Illawarra Police's application for the \$53,400 funding to go towards a Crime Prevention Unit for the Lake Illawarra Police due to the Terms of Reference.</p> <p><b>Action: MS to advise Lake Illawarra Police that the DCEC did not endorse their application for \$53,400 funding for the Crime Prevention Unit for the Lake Illawarra Police District.</b></p> <p>4. <u>Life Education</u></p> <p>An application from Life Education requesting \$25,000 for a health and drug awareness program in local primary and preschools. The discussion was based on requesting information on their previous grants and the balance of funds left over from their last grant before releasing funds for the new grant.</p> <p>The DCEC did endorse Life Education's application for the \$25,000 funding for 3 years to go towards a Life Education Health and Drug awareness program provided they can submit an acquittal and have an account audit of the balance from the 2020/21 grant.</p>

	<p><b>Action: MS to advise Life Education that the DCEC requested an acquittal from the past program and to seek information regarding the previous grant balance before the new grant is released.</b></p> <p>5. <u>Raising the Bar Foundation</u></p> <p>An application from Raising the Bar Foundation requesting \$29,100 for a Figtree High School year 9 Mental Health program. The discussion was based on seeking more detailed information including but not limited to an outline of how the program will run, who they will partner with to deliver the course, look at changing the schedule (is one day a term beneficial), obtaining a supporting letter from Figtree High School Principal for endorsement of the project, and whether they could build in a program to train/coach the teachers.</p> <p>The DCEC did not endorse Raising the Bar Foundation application for the \$29,100 funding to go towards Figtree High School's year 9 mental health program but has suggested re-apply with the extra information that was requested in May.</p> <p><b>Action: MS to advise Raising the Bar that the DCEC did not endorse their application for \$29,100 funding for the Figtree High School Mental health program however if they supply a more detailed project outline they encourage them to re-apply in May.</b></p> <p>6. <u>Wollongong Wolves School Football Program</u></p> <p>An application from Wollongong Wolves requesting \$45,978.40 for a Local primary School Soccer Clinic. The discussion was based on seeking a program run outside of the schools even to collaborate with some of the local Soccer teams who generally are taught by parents with limited skill sets. A Train the Local Soccer team coaches program could be well-received.</p> <p>The DCEC did not endorse Wollongong Wolves application for the \$45,978.40 funding to go towards an in-school Soccer Program but has suggested re-apply with the change of direction.</p> <p><b>Action: MS to advise Wollongong Wolves that the DCEC did not endorse their application for \$45,978.40 funding for the in-school Soccer program however encourage them to re-apply in May with a new direction.</b></p>
5	<b>GENERAL BUSINESS</b>
	<p>MA announced he is retiring and as of the end of May 2024 leaving the position as chair of the DCEP. MA will inform the Board of his replacement by the next meeting.</p> <p><b>Action:</b></p>
6	<b>ACTIONS</b>
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. MS to advise Figtree Australian Football Club that the program was endorsed but required an acquittal on the 2023 mental health program before new funding is released.</li> <li>2. MS to advise Figtree Public School that the DCEC did not endorse their application for \$178,785.75 funding for a synthetic soccer field.</li> <li>3. MS to advise Lake Illawarra Police that the DCEC did not endorse their application for \$53,400 funding for the Crime Prevention Unit for the Lake Illawarra Police District.</li> <li>4. MS to advise Life Education that the DCEC requested an acquittal from the past program and to seek information regarding the previous grant balance before the new grant is released.</li> </ol>

	<p>5. MS to advise Raising the Bar that the DCEC did not endorse their application for \$29,100 funding for the Figtree High School Mental health program however if they supply a more detailed project outline, they encourage them to re-apply in May</p> <p>6. MS to advise Wollongong Wolves that the DCEC did not endorse their application for \$45,978.40 funding for the in-school Soccer program however encourage them to re-apply in May with a new direction.</p>
7	<i>CLOSE OF MEETING</i>
	<p>Close of meeting at 7.10 pm.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Next meeting is Tuesday, 7 May commencing at 6:00pm.</li> <li>• Balance of 2024 Meeting dates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 13 August</li> <li>○ 12 November</li> </ul> </li> </ul>